Amendment to the Claims:

- (currently amended) A process for producing 6'-O-carbamoyl tobramycin from a 6'-O-carbamoyl tobramycin producing microorganism, comprising the steps of:
 - a) preparing fermenting a fermentation broth containing the 6'-O-carbamoyl tobramycin producing microorganism, an assimilable carbon source and an assimilable nitrogen source to produce the 6'-O-carbamoyl tobramycin;
 - b) regulating a constant level levels of the assimilable carbon source and assimilable nitrogen source in the fermentation broth to improve the yield of the 6'-O-carbamoyl tobramycin; and
 - c) recovering the 6'-O-carbamoyl tobramycin.
- 2. (original) The process of claim 1, wherein the 6'-0-carbamoyl tobramycin producing microorganism is *Streptomyces tenebrarius*.
- 3. (original) The process of claim 1, wherein the assimilable carbon source is glucose.
- 4. (currently amended) The process of claim 3, wherein the <u>constant level of assimilable</u>

 <u>carbon source glucose</u> is <u>regulated at a constant level</u> in the range of about 0.001 to

 about 0.5%.

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- 5. (currently amended) The process of claim 3, wherein the <u>constant level of assimilable</u>

 <u>carbon source glucose</u> is <u>regulated at a constant level</u> in the range of about 0.001 to

 about 0.4%.
- 6. (currently amended) The process of claim 3, wherein the <u>constant level of assimilable</u>

 <u>carbon source glucose</u> is <u>regulated at a constant level</u> in the range of about 0.001 to

 about 0.05%.
- 7. (original) The process of claim 1, wherein the assimilable carbon source is glutamic acid.
- 8. (original) The process of claim 1, wherein the assimilable carbon source is sodium glutamate.
- 9. (currently amended) The process of claims 7 or 8, wherein the <u>constant level of the</u> assimilable carbon source is regulated at a constant level in the range of about 0.005 to about 0.1%.
- 10. (currently amended) The process of claims 7 or 8, wherein the constant level of the assimilable carbon source is regulated at a constant level in the range of about 0.001 to about 0.1%.

- 11. (original) The process of claim 1, wherein the assimilable nitrogen source is ammonia nitrogen.
- 12. (original) The process of claim 11, wherein the ammonia nitrogen is selected from urea, ammonium sulfate, ammonium chloride, ammonium phosphate, ammonium nitrate and the mixtures thereof.
- 13. (original) The process of claim 11, wherein the ammonia nitrogen is ammonium sulfate.
- 14. (currently amended) The process of claim 11, wherein the constant level of the assimilable nitrogen source ammonia nitrogen is regulated at a constant level in the range of about 0.03 to about 0.2%.
- 15. (currently amended) The process of claim 11, wherein the <u>constant level of the</u>

 <u>assimilable nitrogen source ammonia nitrogen</u> is regulated at a constant level in the range of about 0.02 to about 0.2%.
- 16. (currently amended) The process of claim 1, wherein a the constant level levels of assimilable carbon source and assimilable nitrogen source in the fermentation broth is are regulated by continuously feeding of glucose, sodium glutamate and ammonium sulfate.

- 17. (currently amended) The process of claim 16, wherein the continuous feeding of glucose, sodium glutamate and ammonium sulfate occur are continuously fed independently of each other.
- 18. (currently amended) The process of claim 1, further comprising a continuously feeding of a mineral salt.
- 19. (original) The process of claim 18, wherein the mineral salt is selected from the group consisting of calcium, magnesium, iron, zinc phosphate, manganese, sodium, potassium and cobalt.
- 20. (currently amended) The process as in of claim 4, 5 or 6, wherein the constant level of the assimilable carbon source is regulated by feeding a glucose solution is adjusted of a pH between about 4.0 to about 5.0.
- 21. (original) The process of claim 20, wherein the pH of the glucose solution is adjusted using an inorganic phosphate.
- 22. (original) The process of claim 21, wherein the inorganic phosphate is phosphoric acid.

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- 23. (original) The process of claim 22, wherein the inorganic phosphate is fed during the fermentation in the quantity of about 0.001 to about 0.002% per day.
- 24. (currently amended) The process of claim 2, wherein the *Streptomyces tenebrarius* strain strain is of strain NCAIM B(P) 000169.
- 25. (currently amended) The process of claim 2, wherein the *Streptomyces tenebrarius* strain is of strain NCAIM B(P) 000204.
- 26. (currently amended) The process of claim 1, wherein the fermentation is <u>conducted</u>with a submerged culture.
- 27. (currently amended) The process of claim 1, wherein the fermentation is maintained conducted at a temperature range of about 37 to about 41°C.
- 28-31. (canceled)